

INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

143 W. Market Street Indianapolis, IN 46204

To: Indiana State Board of Education **From:** John Snethen, General Counsel

Date: November 24, 2014

RE: Redistricting Changes to Clay Community Schools Governing Body Plan

Clay Community Schools has submitted the attached materials to amend its governing body plan by reapportioning the electoral districts so that they are more even in population. The materials include certifications from the Parke and Clay County Clerks indicating no protests or counter-petitions have been filed, as well as publisher's affidavits indicating satisfaction of the publishing requirements of I.C. 20-23-8-14.

The previous district boundaries resulted in a deviation between the largest and smallest districts of 19.3% of the mean. With the new boundaries, the deviation between the largest and smallest districts is 3.7% of the mean. The plan as submitted satisfies the requirements of I.C. 20-23-8 and is recommended for approval by the Board pursuant to I.C. 20-23-8-15.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF CLAY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, Clay Community Schools is a community school corporation established pursuant to Indiana law and is governed by a board of seven school trustees, three of whom are elected as "at large" members by the voters of the entire school corporation and four of whom are elected as residents of a specified electoral district within the corporate boundaries and are elected by the voters of that electoral district only; and

WHEREAS, those four electoral districts were originally described in the Alternative Final Comprehensive Plan of Clay County Committee For The Reorganization of Schools for a Part of Parke County and All of Clay County Except Lewis Township, approved on March 1, 1966, by the State Commission for Reorganization of School Corporations, and were last amended on February 23, 1998, by resolution of the Board of School Trustees; and

WHEREAS, changes in population within the four electoral districts since the last reorganization have resulted in significant disparity between the district with the largest population and that with the smallest, to such an extent that the existing Plan conflicts with state law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Trustees of Clay Community Schools is required by state law to revise its Plan to correct the disparity in population among the four electoral districts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Trustees of Clay Community Schools desires to correct the disparity in population among the electoral districts, while maintaining the requirement that each of the four district members be elected only by the voters of his or her respective district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to the authority granted by Indiana Code 20-23-8-9, the current electoral districts for the School Trustees of Clay Community Schools are amended and reapportioned as follows:

District I

Dick Johnson Township Posey Township PerryTownship

District II

Brazil City, Precinct 1
Brazil City, Precinct 2
Brazil City, Precinct 3
Brazil City, Precinct 6
Jackson Township (Clay),
Precinct 3

District III

Jackson Township (Parke) Van Buren Township Brazil Precincts 4 and 5

District IV

Cass Township
Sugar Ridge Township
Harrison Township
Washington Township
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The representative of each electoral district shall be elected solely by the voters of that district. In all other respects, the organizational plan of Clay Community Schools shall remain as it currently exists. Specifically, the Board of School Trustees shall continue to consist of seven members, each of whom shall be elected. The terms of each member shall continue to be four years in length. Elections shall take place at the general election in November. The remaining three members of the Board shall continue to be elected at-large by all of the voters in the school corporation. The at-large elections shall continue to be held two years after the district elections.

These amendments to the Plan of Organization for Clay Community Schools shall take effect upon approval by the State Board of Education, as required by Indiana Code 20-23-8.

Adopted this 12th day of June, 2014.

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7,169	Posey Township, Perry Township, Harrison Township	District 4
6,393	Dick Johnson Township, Van Buren Township, Brazil precinct 5, Jackson Township (Parke County)	District 3
6,235	Brazil precinct 1, 2, 3 and 6	District 2
5,927	Cass Township, Jackson Township, Washington Township, Sugar Ridge Township, Brazil City precinct 4	District 1
TOTAL POPULATION	CURRENT DISTRICT MAKE UP	

This is currently at a 19.3% deviation!

PROPOSED DISTRICTS THAT WILL CORRECT THE PROBLEM

	township	
	precinct 1 and 2, Sugar Ridge township, Washington	
6,410	Cass township, Harrison township, Jackson township	District 4
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6,410	Jackson township (Parke county), Van Buren precincts	District 3
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Population of proposed districts	Proposed Districts	
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This plan would bring the voting districts within a 3.75% deviation.

Jackson (Parke)	Washington	Van Buren 3	Van Buren 2	Van Buren 1	Sugar Ridge	Posey 3	Posey 2	Posey í	Perry	Lewis	Jackson 3	Jackson 2	Jackson 1	Harrison 2	Harrison 1	Dick Johnson	Cass	Brazil 6	Brazil 5	Brazil 4	Brazil 3	Brazil 2	Brazil 1	Population by Precinct
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District 1		District 2		District 3
Brazil 4	1369	Brazii 1	1826	Brazil 5
Cass	347	Brazil 2	1706	Dick Johnson
Jackson 1	867	Brazil 3	1775	jackson (Parke)
lackson 2	1305	Brazil 6	928	Van Buren 1
Jackson 3	320	TOTAL	6235	Van Buren 2
Sugar Ridge	939			Van Buren 3
Washington	780			TOTAL
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Harrison 2 Harrison 1 District 4

Total Residents: 25,724

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Avg. of districts: 6431

Largest minus smallest: 7169-5927=1242

Deviation: 1242/6431=19.313%

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Date: June 19th 30 14

Title: PUBLISHERS REPRESENTATIVE

Additionally, our newspaper has a website and this public notice was posted on the same day(s) as it was published in the newspaper.

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS' FLECTORAL DISTRICTS

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CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

Vickie Wheeler, Clerk of Clay County, certifies as follows:

- 1. I am the duly elected Clerk of Clay County, Indiana.
- 2. Clay Community Schools is a community school corporation located in Clay County.
- 3. No petitions protesting the Resolution to Amend Electoral districts for the Governing Body of Clay Community Schools and no alternate plans were filed in my office at any time after the publication of notice of that resolution on June 18, 2014.

Dated this 17 day of October , 2014.

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STATE OF INDIANA) gg.
COUNTY OF PARKE	SS:
	CERTIFICATE OF CLERK
Diana Hazlett, Clerk	of Parke County, certifies as follows:
1. I am the duly	elected Clerk of Parke County, Indiana.
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